

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 5089

Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer

Dear Mr. Bell:

On September 12, 2000, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer, of a complaint alleging that they had violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

The Commission has considered the complaint but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer, violated section 441d(a) of the Act. The Commission found reason to believe Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer, violated section 441h of the Act. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action. Accordingly, on February 24, 2004, the Commission closed the file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information. Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's actions with respect to your clients will follow.

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If you have any questions, please contact Kamau Philbert, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Bradley A. Smith

Chairman

Enclosure

General Counsel's Report